



# The Lion's Roar

St. Mark's on the Campus Episcopal Church  
MAY 2009



## St. Mark's on the Campus

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**Holy Eucharist Schedule**

**Sunday — 8:30 & 10:30**

**Tuesday — 12:30**

The Rt. Rev. Joe G. Burnett, *Bishop*

The Rev. Jerrold Thompson, *Rector*

The Rev. Sidnie White Crawford,  
*Priest Associate*

The Rev. Gretchen R. Naugle,  
*Priest Associate*

Christine Grosh, *Deacon*

Bob Kuzelka, *Senior Warden*

Joyce Wagner, *Junior Warden*

Mark Musick, *Treasurer*

Stephanie Hill, *Asst. Treasurer*

Kurt Knecht, *Music Director*

Natalie Shepard, *Christian Education*

Denise Meredith, *Admin. Assistant*

Bennett Meredith, *Sexton*

*St. Mark's on the Campus  
strives to be a Eucharistic  
Community of reflection and  
action, acceptance and  
growth, Gospel and world.*

## From the Rector

By Father Jerry Thompson

Dear Friends,

In December, when we were talking about the necessary cuts in the budget, we all were dismayed at the outreach cuts. At the time, a conviction was expressed that we needed to address those needs outside the budget if we were not going to address them within the budget. I recently pointed out to the Vestry that little had been done outside of youth efforts, and if we were going to do something we needed to do so sooner rather than later.

In response, the Vestry has decided to set aside the first Sunday of each month for a second offering that goes to a specific social outreach ministry that we once supported from within the budget. Your first opportunity will be May 3, and I encourage you to give sacrificially to the need chosen for the month.

We'll collect two offerings these weeks, first the regular

offering and then a second offering for a designated outreach ministry. All your offerings will then be brought to the altar to be consecrated for God's use.

You might remember that the gifts offered represent the gifts of our lives placed upon the altar, as we pray for God to consecrate us as the Body of Christ for the world – with all the many implications that carries. Our offering for those who in these times have needs even greater than our own is one way we fulfill the Spirit's claim upon the lives we offer in the name of Jesus.

I am grateful to God that the Vestry is displaying leadership in this as well as many other areas. They are a wonderful group of people, and I ask you to support them with your daily prayers.

Blessings to you all,

## SUMMER PILGRIMAGE

Sidnie and Dan will be leaving for the summer on May 15th and returning around August 20th. They will be at their summer home in Pennsylvania for most of the summer. Sidnie will be giving a paper this July in Rome at the International Society of Biblical Literature meeting, and they will be vacationing in Seattle and Vancouver in August. Blessings to all for a happy and healthy summer!

Sidnie White Crawford

At its April 19th meeting, the Vestry...



- reviewed the financial state of the parish at the end of 1st quarter
- discussed the dedications of the memorial stained glass windows and the Allington Youth Room
- heard that Campus Outreach has been busy with many activities
- discussed progress of the building and grounds committee on several church projects.
- heard that the Mutual Ministry Review Committee has met
- reviewed our commitment to Outreach and approved a monthly outreach collection
- reviewed Vestry Resource Guide Ch. 3 "Being on a Vestry Means".

## CONGRATULATIONS

Our Priest Associate Sidnie has been named a Willa Cather Professor and Professor of Classics and Religious Studies at UNL. This is a university named professorship appointed by the Chancellor.

## Kelly Carlisle Wins Contest

Each year The Atlantic Monthly sponsors a nationwide competition seeking the best fiction, poetry and creative nonfiction from creative writing programs around the country. This year, in the creative nonfiction category, Kelly Carlisle of the PhD program won second place (\$500). Atlantic Monthly is considering the work for publication. Carlisle was previously Production Coordinator and a Senior Nonfiction Reader for the Prairie Schooner. She previously won a Notable Essay of 2005 mention from Best American Essays.

## KNITTING GROUP SUMMER SCHEDULE

The regular Knit Together gatherings will not meet in the student lounge over summer, but knitters never quit! We are planning to meet during the summer months to continue working on projects. New crafters are always welcome. Let us know if you're interested, and we'll let you know when and where to join us. Contact Susan Ugai or any member of the Knit Together group.

# THE DEACON'S DOOR *by Christine Grosh*

## EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY

is top-notch adult education for understanding our faith and growing into maturity. It's a good year to join us! The program includes spiritual autobiographies, theological reflections and a four year curriculum. Year One, Hebrew Scriptures; Year Two, New Testament; Year Three, Church History and Year Four is Modern Theologians and Issues. The group meets from September through May. Contact Deacon Christine for information: 486-3259, [cgrosh@windstream.net](mailto:cgrosh@windstream.net)

## SETTING TIME ASIDE FOR GOD

You're welcome to come to Conception Abbey for a retreat Memorial Day weekend. Father Jerry is one of many in our congregation who recommend retreats to support the spiritual journey. Speak to Christine for more information about the weekend.

## CAMPUS OUTREACH

We've put in a good 3-year run for the campus outreach committee. We've had lots of fun, made friends for our church and had some wonderful times with students. This year's highlights were Jesus Christ Superstar and Dinner in Abraham's Tent, but there were lots of good meals and conversations. We're ready for some new members on the committee and we're trusting the Holy Spirit is preparing 3 or 4 members of our congregation to join Campus Outreach for a 2 or 3 year term. Please speak to Kelly Gray Carlisle, Nathan Schulte, Father Jerry, Connie Backus-Yoder, Janet Davidson, Lisa Sutton or Christine Grosh.

## WE NEED YOUR FOREIGN LANGUAGE SKILLS

PENTECOST IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER, AND AS IS THE CUSTOM AT SMOC, WE WILL READ THE GOSPEL IN MANY LANGUAGES, AND NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR THE READING. IN THE PAST, WE'VE HEARD THE READING IN SPANISH, GREEK, LATIN, NORWEGIAN, GERMAN, SWAHILI, JAPANESE, HAWAIIAN, RUSSIAN, FRENCH, AND TREKKIE.

THE PASSAGE IS JOHN 15:26-27; AND JOHN 16:4B-15. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN READING, PLEASE CONTACT DENISE IN THE OFFICE.

## PEACEMAKING WORKSHOP

The Peacemaking Workshop XXII is now history and what a success! Anna Baltzer was very well received. Her message in support of human rights and peace in the Middle East was compelling. We had more than 356 participants over the three sessions. Thank you so much for your sponsorship of this important event. As our committee moves forward with plans for next year, we thank you for your support. If you have not yet paid your pledge please do so as soon as possible. Make your checks payable to First United Methodist Church with a notation, "Peacemaking Workshop XXII." Please send the payment to: First United Methodist Church, 2723 North 50th Street, Lincoln, NE 68504. We are very grateful for your efforts toward peacemaking and being a part of a community of peacemakers.

## Financial Report

INCOME	2009 MAR	2009 YTD	YTD BUDGET	OVER/ SHORT	2009 BUDGET
<b>Contributions</b>					
- Pledge contributions	21180.00	56740.28	55366.03	1374.25	219214.00
- Flower Income	240.00	450.00	240.00	210.00	1400.00
- Christmas Offering	0	0	0	0	1500.00
- Easter Offering	0	0	0	0	600.00
- Faith contribution	156.00	199.00	0	199.00	3400.00
- Plate offering, general	925.97	1983.77	2500.03	-518.26	10000.00
<b>Total Contribution Income</b>	<b>22501.97</b>	<b>59373.05</b>	<b>58106.06</b>	<b>1266.99</b>	<b>236114.00</b>
<b>Diocesan Assistance</b>					
- Curate Support	0	11177.00	11177.00	0	11177.00
- Grant in Aid	0	6250.00	6250.00	0	25000.00
- Insurance Subsidy, Rector	0	2349.00	2507.50	-158.50	10030.00
<b>Total Diocesan Assistance</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19776.00</b>	<b>19934.50</b>	<b>-158.50</b>	<b>46207.00</b>
<b>Miscellaneous Income</b>					
- Designated Income	26.53	216.98	0	216.98	0
- Interest Income	119.11	227.25	330.75	-103.50	1323.00
- Other Misc Income	0	101.00	0	101.00	0
- Use of Church Income	27.50	1070.33	1175.03	-104.70	2700.00
<b>Total Miscellaneous Income</b>	<b>173.14</b>	<b>1615.56</b>	<b>1505.78</b>	<b>109.78</b>	<b>4023.00</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>22675.11</b>	<b>80764.61</b>	<b>79546.34</b>	<b>1218.27</b>	<b>286344.00</b>

EXPENSES	2009 MAR	2009 YTD	YTD BUDGET	OVER/ SHORT	2009 BUDGET
Advertising / Promotional	53.10	314.70	310.03	4.67	940.00
Campus Ministry	40.81	670.92	1825.00	-1154.08	13000.00
Continuing Ed / Sabbatic / Prof	-0	398.03	1000.00	-601.97	2150.00
Diocese Asking	2820.75	8462.25	8462.25	0	33849.00
Education Expenses	162.14	416.72	425.03	-8.31	2200.00
Insurance	0	1185.90	2146.50	-960.60	5059.00
Kitchen Supplies	-26.29	62.93	80.00	-17.07	700.00
Lay Ministry Expenses	0	13.00	25.00	-12.00	75.00
Legal and Professional Fees	0	0	0	0	350.00
Misc Expenses	61.13	186.32	187.50	-1.18	300.00
Office Equipment	354.85	1457.17	1077.35	379.82	3200.00
Office / General Admin	651.91	2138.97	2100.00	38.97	7550.00
Repair & Maintenance	109.98	550.04	625.03	-74.99	3700.00
Travel	0	154.58	100.00	54.58	700.00
Utilities	1313.00	4673.11	5757.48	-1084.37	11668.00
Worship and Music	194.78	569.68	710.00	-140.32	4050.00
Payroll Expenses	14203.79	59734.95	59591.69	143.26	196853.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>19939.95</b>	<b>81239.27</b>	<b>84672.86</b>	<b>-3433.59</b>	<b>286344.00</b>

**Net Income minus Expenses**    2735.16    -474.66    -5126.52    -2215.32

<b>GENERAL FUNDS BALANCE</b>	<b>Mar 31, 2009</b>	<b>60660.30</b>
<b>UNRESTRICTED CD BALANCE</b>	<b>Mar 31, 2009</b>	<b>12004.11</b>
<b>RESTRICTED FUNDS BALANCE</b>	<b>Mar 31, 2009</b>	<b>81798.10</b>
<b>PANTRY FUNDS BALANCE</b>	<b>Mar 31, 2009</b>	<b>2888.83</b>
<b>RECTORS DISCRETIONARY FUND</b>	<b>Mar 31, 2009</b>	<b>341.39</b>
<b>TOTAL BALANCE OF ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>Mar 31, 2009</b>	<b>157,692.73</b>

## Treasure Chest

### First Quarter Highlights

Easter brought the end of quarter number one,

St. Mark's services were second to none.

It's time for the clergy and staff to have some fun, 13th and R is the best place under the sun.

The parish continues to pitch in where they can,

As outreach needs a strong early plan.

The financial year is proceeding well,

Selling 2 more stained glass windows would be swell.

The inside cleanup was a stroke of inspiration,

But the upcoming outside will require perspiration.

Thank you for your help with the continuing financial fight,

God continues to keep us in his sight.

### IT'S A BOY !!!

Congratulations to Jeremy and Willa Toren Senn, who are the proud parents of Niles David, who was born this (Friday) morning! Niles is the grandson of Richard and Sara Toren. All are well and happy.

# St. Mark's on the Campus \* Mar 29 - May 9, 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>26</b> 8:30 & 10:30 Holy Eucharist Noon Bible Studie w/Sidnie <b>St. Mark's Day</b> 5:00 Canterbury Club 7:00 pm - Study Lounge 7:00 pm - Knitting Group	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5:00 pm- MMR Task Force	<b>29</b> 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm - Study Lounge 9:00 pm - Kurt's Recital	<b>30</b> 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon	<b>MAY 1</b> Fr. Jerry Day Off	<b>2</b> 9 am - 1 pm <b>Vestry Retreat</b> Doane College
<b>UNLLAST WEEK OF CLASSES</b>						
<b>3</b> 8:30 & 10:30 Holy Eucharist <b>Graduation Celebration</b> 5:00 Canterbury Club 7:00 pm - Study Lounge 7:00 pm - Knitting Group	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer	<b>6</b> 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm - Study Lounge	<b>7</b> 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon	<b>8</b> Fr. Jerry Day Off	<b>9</b>
<b>UNL FINALS WEEK</b>						
<b>10</b> 8:30 & 10:30 Holy Eucharist Noon Bible Studie w/Sidnie 5:00 Canterbury Club 7:00 pm - Study Lounge 7:00 pm - Knitting Group	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer <b>Gathering Place</b>	<b>13</b> 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm - Study Lounge	<b>14</b> 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon	<b>15</b> Fr. Jerry Day Off <b>ROAR DEADLINE</b>	<b>16</b> 7:30 - 9:00 <b>Mens Breakfast</b>
<b>17</b> 8:30 & 10:30 Holy Eucharist <b>12:30 Vestry</b> <b>3:00 Book Club</b> 5:00 Canterbury Club 7:00 pm - Study Lounge 7:00 pm - Knitting Group	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer	<b>20</b> 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm - Study Lounge	<b>21</b> 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon	<b>22</b> Fr. Jerry Day Off	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> 8:30 & 10:30 Holy Eucharist 5:00 Canterbury Club 7:00 pm - Study Lounge 7:00 pm - Knitting Group	<b>25</b> <b>MEMORIAL DAY</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<b>26</b> 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer	<b>27</b> 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm - Study Lounge	<b>28</b> 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon	<b>29</b> Fr. Jerry Day Off	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b> <b>PENTECOST</b> 8:30 & 10:30 Holy Eucharist 5:00 Canterbury Club 7:00 pm - Study Lounge 7:00 pm - Knitting Group	<b>JUNE 1</b>	<b>2</b> 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer	<b>3</b> 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm - Study Lounge	<b>4</b> <b>LPS LAST SCHOOL DAY</b> 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon	<b>5</b> Fr. Jerry Day Off	<b>6</b> 10 am - 1pm <b>Diocesan College Student Ministry Commission</b>
<b>Denise on Vacation thru Sunday, June 14th</b>						

**SUNDAY SERVICES:** Holy Eucharist - 8:30 am and 10:30 am  
**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** Adult Forum and Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.  
**BIBLE STUDY WITH SIDNIE:** Sunday mornings following the 10:30 am Eucharist  
**WEEKDAY HOLY EUCHARIST:** Every Tuesday at 12:30 pm in the Main Chapel  
**EVENING PRAYER:** 4:30 pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday in the Chapel  
**CANTERBURY CLUB:** Sunday nights - 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm  
**STUDY LOUNGE:** Sunday and Wednesday nights - 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm  
**KNITTING GROUP:** Sunday nights - 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

**STUDY LOUNGE  
NEEDS VOLUNTEERS  
FOR DEAD WEEK AND  
FINALS WEEK!**

The Study Lounge will once again be open for extra nights during Dead Week and Final Exams week. Students: come study with free food every night but Wednesday, April 29th, when we'll be closed! Non-students: We could use some volunteers to keep the Lounge open these extra nights. Please sign up on the office door if you can work starting at 7 pm on one of the following evenings:

Sunday, April 26th

Monday, April 27th

Tuesday, April 28th

**NO STUDY LOUNGE**

**WED APRIL 29th**

**DUE TO KNECHT RECITAL**

Thursday, April 30th

Sunday, May 3rd

Monday, May 4th

Tuesday, May 5th

Wednesday, May 6th

Thursday, May 7th

# MARK-US NOTES

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Saturday morning gathering of the Mens Breakfast Group will be on May 16th, 2009. We will be continuing the DVD called "God on Trial". Location TBA.

## adult forum

Connie Backus-Yoder will talk about cynicism and its effect on our spiritual lives at adult forum on May 3rd. During the month of May we'll be talking about ideas for next year and whether we'll meet over the summer.

## **BIBLE STUDY WITH SIDNIE**

will meet on  
April 26, May 3,  
and May 10 to  
continue our study  
of Genesis.

## FOOD PANTRY

*Thank you for your generous contributions. Current pantry needs are:*

*Tuna helper*

*Peas*

*Peaches or any canned fruit*

*Mac and Cheese*

*Dried Beans*

*SPAM*

*Spaghetti Sauce*

*Small bars of soap-like you get in a motel*

*16-24 oz bottles of cooking oil  
(Larger is not better. We need the smaller sizes more.)*

## BOOK CLUB MAY DATE AND TIME

**Sunday, May 17th at 3 P.M.**

## BOOK FOR THE MONTH

**Tall Grass by Sandra Dallas**

## PLACE TO MEET

**The home of Mary Jane Humphrey  
1600 Twin Ridge Rd**

## CHOIR NEWS

The choir will perform through June 7th, Trinity Sunday before going on summer break. Please take some time to thank individual choir members for their tireless dedication and service to our congregation.

## MAY Birthdays

- 01 - Greg Lawson
- 04 - Faye Bobzien
- 05 - Anga Rehn
- 07 - Larry Krebsbach  
Jeanine Jewell
- 12 - Erica Toren
- 13 - Mary Hall
- 14 - Sophie Sipple
- 15 - Judy Magnuson
- 17 - Logan Waite
- 20 - Ryan Krebsbach
- 21 - Brad Harse
- 22 - Laura Waldman  
Donna Harler-Smith
- 24 - Tess Buhler
- 25 - Stephanie Hill
- 28 - Alexander Cerny  
Dean Settle
- 31 - LeAnn Frobom

## GRADUATION CELEBRATION

On Sunday, May 3rd, St. Mark's on the Campus will celebrate all of our graduates. We will have a special coffee hour with cake and punch after the 10:30 Eucharist.

Among our graduates is Michelle Waite, who will receive her Master of Legal Studies degree, and Leighannah Akins, who is receiving her Master of Science degree.

## Clothing Drive

As a Community Service project, St. Marks on Campus will hold a Clothing Drive to benefit the People's City Mission starting on Sunday, April 19th through Sunday, May 17th.

Please put your donated items in the designated space in the undercroft. The Mission will accept most anything that is usable. Donated clothing and bedding must be clean and in reasonable repair. They will also take toys, games and household items. No computer monitors, please.

If you wish to help with sorting and boxing of items when the time comes, please use the sign-up sheet on the office door or see Fr. Jerry or Nancy Brown. Thanks for your help!

## CHANGE FOR A CHANGE FINAL NUMBERS

**WOMEN** \$301.91    Men \$203.63

We were able to buy over nine chairs for the Free Wheelchair Mission.

## **BOOKS/CDS/DVDS/ART**

Spring Cleaning? Drag out all the books that you no longer need or want. Make room for new books. This fall is the **St. Mark's on the Campus Every-Other-Year Book Sale**. We can help solve that book crowding problem. We also accept CDs and DVDs. Sell donated bookmarks (nice ones), give away paper ones, sell donated wall art, special prints, or other decor at fixed prices. Bring them on down to the Undercroft to our storage space. We will gladly accept all your donations. Those items we do not sell will go to the Planned Parenthood book blow-out.

# Sunday Ministerial Assignments

Date	May 3 Easter 4	May 10 Easter 5	May 17 Easter 6	May 24 Easter 7	May 31 Pentecost
<b>8:30 RH/Acolyte</b>	Jonathan Jones	Jeff Sneller	Sara Toren	Jeff Sneller	Don Gray
<b>10:30 Chalice Bearer Eucharistic Minister</b>	Todd Sneller	Don Gray	Jeanne Vannorsdall	Don Gray	Todd Sneller
<b>Acolytes</b>	Helen Pitts Mitchell Karas	Samantha Karas Carol Thompson	Todd Sneller Kelly Carlisle	Mary Lutz Helen Pitts	Don Nelson Carol Thompson
<b>Ushers</b>	Pamela Starr Lisa Sutton	Dennis Alfrey Dean Settle	Doug Durham David Sellmyer	Bob Stock Nora Pitts	Roger Wait Michelle Waite
<b>Lector (OT)</b>	Kelly Carlisle	Donna Harler-Smith	Bette Sperry	Pamela Starr	Don Nelson
<b>Epistler</b>	Colleen Baade	Steve Foral	Bob Stock	Sara Toren	Jeanne Vannorsdall
<b>Intercessor</b>	Tim Hill	Jeanine Jewell	Pippa Lawson	Dean Settle	Leroy Svec
<b>Greeter</b>	Doug Durham	Lynn Forester	Tim Hill	Bob Kuzelka	Julee Lowe
<b>Coffee Host</b>	Natalie Shepard	Jim Karas	Peg Sheldrick	Jeanne Vannorsdall	John & Kelly Orr
<b>Bread Baker</b>	Laura Waldman	Nancy Brown	Loris Purtzer	Kathy Schmutte	Laura Waldman
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Opal Doerr	Kathy Schmutte	Don Gray	Joyce Wagner	Kathy Blum
<b>Tellers</b>	Stan Sipple Richard Toren	Leroy Svec Andrea Nelson	Larry Krebsbach Anne Puls	Stan Sipple Doug Durham	Leroy Svec Richard Toren

**THE MAIN CHAPEL IS OPEN FOR PRAYER  
DURING REGULAR OFFICE HOURS:  
MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 9 am - 4 pm  
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**REMINDER:  
THE JUNE  
ROAR DEADLINE  
will be  
MAY 15th**

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